

## About Plays and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

**JOHN MASON** has been engaged by Lew Fields for a role in Frank Mandel's new play, "Bosom Friends," in which Mr. Fields will be seen in the first serious part of his career. Mr. Mason closed a starring tour in "Common Clay" last Saturday night in Cincinnati. Mr. Fields engaged him by telephone, locating him in Chicago. Mr. Mason will act with Mr. Fields through the courtesy of A. H. Woods, to whom he is under contract. Irene Fenwick will be in the "Bosom Friend" cast also. The play is scheduled to open in New York on April 3.

### "OUT THERE" MARCH 27.

The opening date at the Globe for Laurette Taylor's new play, "Out There," is March 27. Frank Kemble Cooper, Lynn Fontanne, Louis Edgard, Herbert Druce, J. M. Kerrigan, Colin Campbell, Douglas Ross, Leslie Ryecroft, Eleanor L'Estelle and Lillian Brennan will be in the cast.

### BY WAY OF DIVERSION.

My little dog looks in my face with great big honest eyes. He never practices deceit, nor does he tell me lies. He seems to want to do his share to make this life for me more fair. His every action shows a noble square. To please he always tries. He offers canine sympathy when I am feeling blue. The way he acts would indicate that he's downhearted too. And when I brighten up a bit, with joy he almost has a fit. He tries to talk—I'm sure of it—to tell me what to do. He'll thank me mutely for a bone, though it be dry and small. He's grateful for a box of straw in which each night to crawl. In cash he's worth about three times, yet thirty cents a thousand times won't buy him when the rascal climbs upon my knees—that's all!

### DIAMOND JIM PREDICTS.

James Buchanan Brady, who is ill in Atlantic City, attends the theatres down there now and then. The other night he saw the "Turn to the Right," "Pala First" and "Her Soldier Boy" companies late to-night at a dinner to be given in the private alleyway that connects the Fulton, Gaiety and Astor theatres. The affair is to be held to celebrate the two hundred and fiftieth performance of "Turn to the Right." We are assured that a fine time will be had, as there will be an orchestra, velvet cushions, mashed potatoes and everything.

### TO-NIGHT'S THE NIGHT.

Tom Wise, William Courtenay and Clifton Crawford will entertain the members of the "Turn to the Right," "Pala First" and "Her Soldier Boy" companies late to-night at a dinner to be given in the private alleyway that connects the Fulton, Gaiety and Astor theatres. The affair is to be held to celebrate the two hundred and fiftieth performance of "Turn to the Right." We are assured that a fine time will be had, as there will be an orchestra, velvet cushions, mashed potatoes and everything.

### ROSIE KNOWS NOW!

Two years ago Rosie Quinn, then a New York school girl, was asked to name the capital of the United States, and she replied: "Chicago!" Her teacher told her to study geography, and Rosie did. She left school and travelled all over the country with the "World of Pleasure" company, now at the Majestic, Brooklyn. Rosie now has a strange hold on geography so far as the United States is concerned. Yesterday she said to like Clunkum of the stage crew: "I know a capitalist." "Got money, eh?" came from Ike. "No," said Rosie, "he lives in Washington. That makes him a capitalist." "Har, har!" laughed Ike, and Rosie joined in. "Was a jolly moment."

### TO STAR MISS ROMAINE.

Henry W. Savage is to star Margaret Romaine in musical comedy next season. She is now with "Have a Heart."

### THE "EILEEN" CAST.

Joe Weber has assembled a good cast for "Eileen," the Herbert-Hosson romantic opera which will open at the Shubert Theatre Monday. The list of principals includes Walter Scanlon, Olga Heller, Grace Green, Louise Allen, Josie Glavin, Paullette Antoine, Edward Martindel, Scott Welsh, Algernon Greig, Greek Evans, John B. Cooke and Harry Crosby.

### BLUMENTHAL RETURNS.

George Blumenthal, who opened the Grand Opera House, Syracuse, with vaudeville recently, is back in New York, mad. He says the booking office with which he was doing business cut off his supply of actors just at a time when he was on the road to riches. Why, he has been unable to learn. He says he intends to sue the booking people for \$20,000.

### GOSSIP.

Henry Stanford has been engaged for "Nju," which will open at the Broadway Theatre March 22. Sam Rothapel, who directs the Italo orchestra occasionally, is now threatening to sing. E. Doris Levene, the eleven-year-old daughter of Herbert Levene, the theatre ticket man, played a Chopin selection at a lodge entertainment last night.

Marilyn Miller of "The Show of Wonders" has been placed under contract by the Messers. Shubert for ten years. When she completes her present engagement she will be starred. The private performance for the benefit of the Hippodrome Association's Sick Fund will be given at the Globe Theatre next Sunday afternoon. From the offices of the Magic Producing Company comes the announcement that "Mangle," now at Maxine Elliott's Theatre, will go into the Garrick next week.

### A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

A Pippville (Ky.) society girl, who was entertaining a young man in the parlor, swore at her mother because she entered the room smoking her corn-cob pipe.

### FOOLISHMENT.

A bride, though there were no bar, got a cork in the groom's suit. He pushed the cork around, but the bride said she must go.

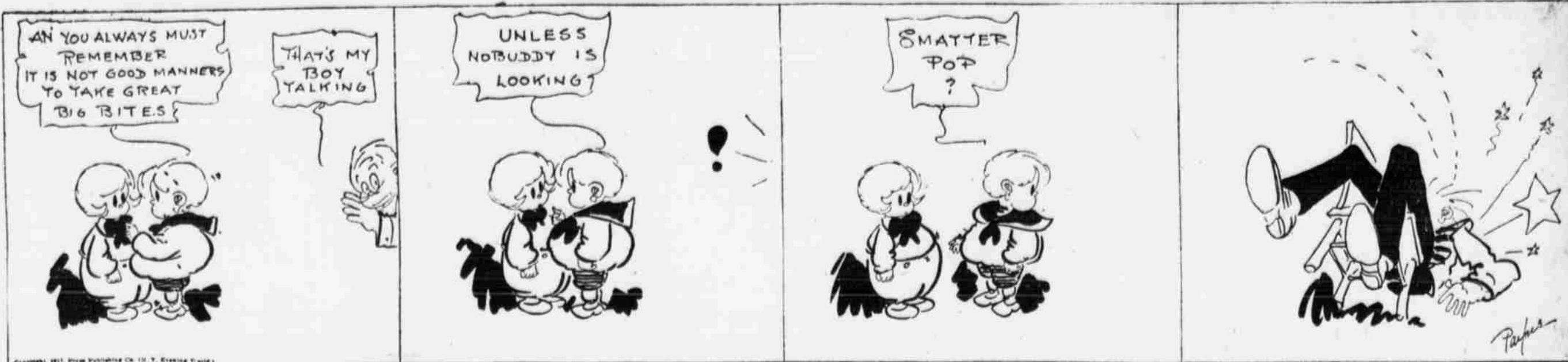
### FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE.

"I know a barber who is so lazy he refuses to cut hair." "Shoor lasiness, eh?"

## "S'MATTER, POP?"

We Know Adults Who Pursue the Same Policy!

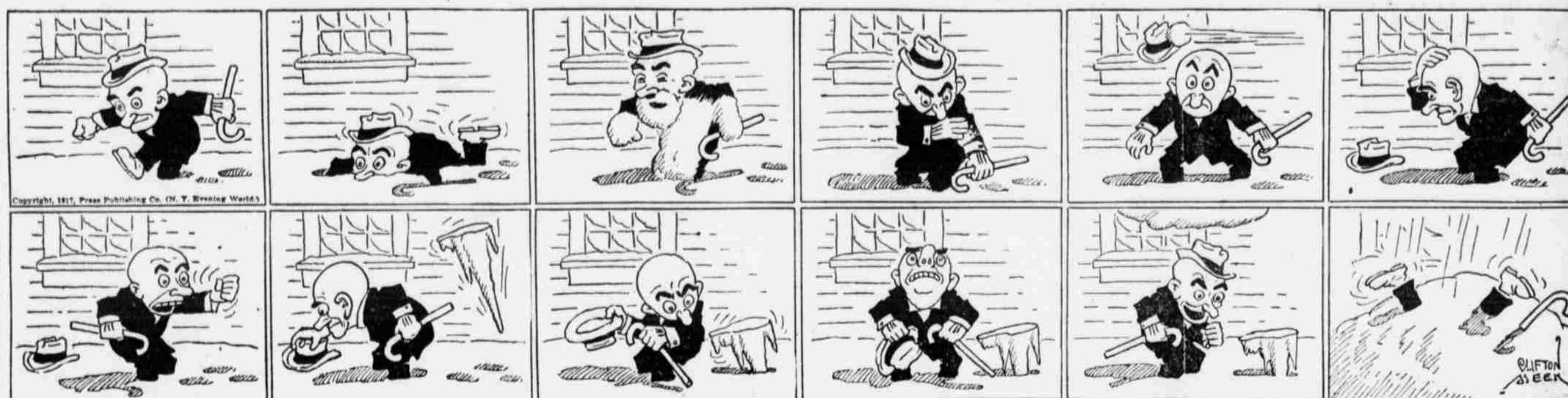
By C. M. Payne



## OLD GRINDSTONE GEORGE

When a Man Isn't Safe Under His Own Roof It's Time to Move!

By Clifton Meek



## HENRY HASENPFEFFER

The Boy's Excuse Was at Least a Novel One!

By Bud Counihan



## FLOOEY AND AXEL

Axel's Goat Isn't So Awfully Hard to Get!

By Vic



## "ON THE FIVE-FIFTEEN"

And Felix Fieftteen Didn't Mean to Breathe It to a Soul!

By Gale

